GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY
LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:4010
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REGISTERING BRANDS OF AGRICULTURAL PRODUCTS
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Will the Minister of COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY be pleased to state:

(a) whether any foreign company applied or got any brands registered for rice, wheat or other agricultural products;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether any Indian company also got some brands registered for the above products; and

(d) if so, the product-wise details thereof ?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY (DR. RAMAN SINGH)

(a & b) Yes,Sir. There are 210 registered marks for rice and 15 for wheat registered in favour of foreign proprietors as on 31.3.2001 under the Trade and Merchandise Marks Act, 1958. Presently, 381 applications for rice and 12 for wheat are pending examination. As regards other agricultural products, there are 76 marks registered in favour of foreign proprietors while 77 are pending examination.

(c & d) Yes, Sir. There are 792 registered marks for rice and 149 for wheat registered in favour of Indian companies as on 31.3.2001. In case of other agricultural products, 241 trade marks have been registered in favour of Indian companies.